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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 512

DATE PREPARED: Dec 10, 2001

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Child Immunization Registry.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
X FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires the State Department of Health to develop a children's immunization data registry. The bill allows a patient or patient's parent access to the patient's immunization data. It also requires that immunization data automatically be removed when the patient becomes an adult.

Effective Date: July 1, 2002.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Immunization Data Registry:* Dr. Gregory Wilson, State Health Commissioner, reported to the Health Finance Commission that the Department of Health had obtained \$800,000 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for start-up costs and additional funding for yearly maintenance of the registry. No state matching funds are required for the initial implementation. A national vendor with a fully developed web-based immunization registry will be used with a contract for Indiana implementation anticipated by the third quarter of FY 2002. Dr. Wilson described the proposed system as voluntary for both the public and private providers with consent required for "opting in". This bill requires licensed providers who administer immunizations to participate in the registry and allows a parent or guardian the ability to object to participation in the immunization registry. The extent to which these requirements conflict with federal requirements for the receipt of the proposed funding is unknown.

Implementation of an immunization data registry may yield both federal and state savings by eliminating duplicate immunizations for school-age children with no documentation of immunizations. There is no available documentation to indicate the magnitude of this problem.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected: Local health departments and school corporations.

Information Sources: Meeting Minutes of the Indiana Health Finance Commission, September 26, 2001.
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